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In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 14, 2007, the period of response for which runs through February 14, 2008, please amend the application as follows.

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